

Desert and Mountain Conservation Authority

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT A
CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CODE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Desert and Mountain Conservation Authority intends to adopt a conflict-of-interest code pursuant to Government Code Section 87300 and 87306. Pursuant to Government Code Section 87302, the code will designate employees who must disclose certain investments, income, interests in real property, and business positions, and who must disqualify themselves from making or participating in the making of governmental decisions affecting those interests.

A written comment period has been established commencing on Friday, July 17, 2009 and terminating on Monday, August 31, 2009. Any interested person may present written comments concerning the proposed code no later than Monday, August 31, 2009 to the Desert and Mountain Conservation Authority. No public hearing on this matter will be held unless any interested person or his or her representative requests a public hearing no later than 15 days prior to the close of the written comment period.

This conflict-of-interest code will require specific employees, board members, officers and consultants to file statements of economic interests (Form 700) pursuant to the Political Reform Act. Such disclosure shall include all investments, real property, and income. This disclosure is required as the Desert and Mountain Conservation Authority acquires and manages open space land in the Antelope Valley and Santa Monica mountains. Officials who participate in the decisions made by Desert and Mountain Conservation Authority will disclose their economic interests at a level commensurate with Desert and Mountain Conservation Authority's variety of services.

Copies of the proposed code and all of the information upon which it is based may be obtained from the Desert and Mountain Conservation Authority, 570 West Avenue Twenty-six, Suite 100, Los Angeles, California, 90065. Any inquiries concerning the proposed code should be directed to Laurie Collins, Chief Staff Counsel, (323) 221-9944, extension 133.

CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CODE FOR
DESERT AND MOUNTAIN CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

The Political Reform Act (Government Code Sections 81000, et seq.) requires state and local government agencies to adopt and promulgate conflict-of-interest codes. The Fair Political Practices Commission has adopted a regulation (2 California Code of Regulations, Section 18730) which contains the terms of a standard conflict-of-interest code, which can be incorporated by reference in an agency's code. After public notice and hearing, it may be amended by the Fair Political Practices Commission to conform to amendments in the Political Reform Act. Therefore, the terms of 2 California Code of Regulations, Section 18730 and any amendments to it duly adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission are hereby incorporated by reference. This regulation and the attached Appendices constitute the conflict-of-interest code for the **Desert and Mountain Conservation Authority (Authority)**.

Individuals holding designated positions shall file their statements of economic interests with the **Authority**, which will make the statements available for public inspection and reproduction (Gov. Code Sec. 81008). Upon receipt of the statements for the Governing Board and Executive Officer, the **Authority** shall make and retain copies and forward the originals to the **Fair Political Practices Commission**. All other statements will be retained by the **Authority**.

APPENDIX A
DESIGNATED POSITIONS AND
OFFICIALS WHO MANAGE PUBLIC INVESTMENTS

DEFINITIONS

Jurisdiction- The Santa Monica Mountains Zone as defined by Public Resources code
Sections 33105 as amended and the boundaries of the Antelope Valley
Resource Conservation District.

DESIGNATED POSITION

DISCLOSURE CATEGORY

Governing Board Members	1, 2, 3
Executive Officer	1, 2, 3
Deputy Executive Officer(s)	1, 2, 3
Staff Counsel(s)	1, 2, 3
Financial Officer	1, 2, 3
Consultants	*

*Consultants shall be included in the list of designated employees and shall disclose pursuant to the broadest disclosure category in the code subject to the following limitation:

The Executive Officer may determine in writing that a particular consultant, although a "designated position," is hired to perform a range of duties that are limited in scope and thus is not required to fully comply with the disclosure requirements in this section. Such written determination shall include a description of the consultant's duties and, based upon that description, a statement of the extent of disclosure requirements. The Executive Officer's determination is a public record and shall be retained for public inspection in the same manner and location as this conflict-of-interest code (Gov. Code Sec. 81008).

APPENDIX B DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES

DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES

Category 1

Interests in real property, located in whole or in part within the boundaries of the Authority or within two miles of the District Authority.

Category 2

Investments and business positions in business entities, and sources of income, including loans, gifts, and travel payments, from any sources that are engaged in real estate or development services.

Category 3

Investments and business positions in business entities, and sources of income, including loans, gifts, and travel payments, from sources that provide services, supplies, materials, machinery, or equipment of the type utilized by the Authority.